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**Sent:** 1/15/2021 5:07:26 PM  
**To:** Grafe, Cyndi [Grafe.Cyndi@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Upcoming ID WQ Workshop - Dan Opalski - Speaker

This is great, Cyndi, thanks. Maybe the four of us – and certainly any others you might deem appropriate -- could try to huddle early to mid- next week? I can share my initial thinking of some topline messaging, and that can lead to more specific suggestions/assignments.

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**From:** Grafe, Cyndi <Grafe.Cyndi@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, January 15, 2021 9:03 AM  
**To:** Opalski, Dan <Opalski.Dan@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: Upcoming ID WQ Workshop - Dan Opalski - Speaker

Hi Dan –

I reached out to Hawk Stone, the IDEQ coordinator of the ID WQ Workshop, about your upcoming speaking engagement. He offered the guidance below.

I've also given a heads up to Jayne Carlin and Krista Mendelman, in their NPS roles, that you will need support with talking points. Would you please let me know how we can best support you for this upcoming keynote? Do you want to broaden your remarks beyond the NPS program?

Thanks and all the best,  
Cyndi

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**From:** Hawk.Stone@deq.idaho.gov <Hawk.Stone@deq.idaho.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, January 15, 2021 9:32 AM  
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**Subject:** Re: Upcoming ID WQ Workshop - Dan Opalski - Speaker

Hi Cyndi,  
Nice to hear from you.

Your details are correct... we've asked Dan to open up the 31st Water Quality Workshop at 9am on January 26th. As you know, the origin and continued focus of the workshop is with nonpoint source pollution. Our steering committee felt that it would be appropriate and informative for EPA to share their perspective.

The exact details of the talk are pretty wide open, but I'm hoping the content will be of wide scope and interest, and directly relevant to nonpoint source issues. Given Dan's position, a retrospective look at EPA's programs during the Trump administration, or a prospective look at the Biden administration might be very interesting. We normally stick to the science... powerpoints and scatter plots, but a dose of politics might be appropriate here.

The format is 30 minutes, which we anticipate being about 20 minutes speaking and 10 minutes questions. It will be via Zoom. Rather than a slide show, a simple 'lecture' format might work best, especially given the heavy diet of slide shows that will follow.

So those are the broad outlines. We're really flexible if Dan wants to go in another direction... anything he has to say will be of interest and use to our audience. Please email back with questions and ideas, or if it's easier, feel free to call.

Can I still say happy new year?

Sincerely,

Hawk

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**From:** Grafe, Cyndi <[Grafe.Cyndi@epa.gov](mailto:Grafe.Cyndi@epa.gov)>

**Sent:** Thursday, January 14, 2021 7:50:16 PM

**To:** Hawk Stone

**Cc:** Carlin, Jayne; Mendelman, Krista

**Subject:** Upcoming ID WQ Workshop - Dan Opalski - Speaker

Hi Hawk –

How are you? Hope all is well! Say, Dan Opalski mentioned that Mary Anne Nelson requested that he speak at the upcoming Idaho WQ Workshop. We don't have any details to help him prepare, other than the topic regards nonpoint source? Sounds like he may be the keynote speaker?

If you, as the Workshop Director, could provide any additional information, that would be greatly appreciated. I've copied Jayne Carlin, R10 NPS Lead, and Krista Mendelman, ID NPS Coordinator, on this email so they also receive your response.

Thank you and take care,  
Cyndi

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